Government vide notification No. S.O. 827(E) dated 11.11.1992. There is no proposal to review the present arrangement.

Resurfacing of Delhi-Mathura Road

1010. SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH LIBRA:
SHRI ANIL SHARMA:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "NHAI lets loose its crater" appeared in the 'H.T. Faridabad Live' dated the 1st July, 2002;

(b) if so, the steps taken by the NHAI to resurface the 50 metres stretch of the road before monsoon;

(c) by when the above work would be completed; and

(d) the reasons for not resurfacing the stretch despite the fact that trunk sewer line was repaired in April/May, 2002?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI]: (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The repair work was already in progress when the news-item appeared in the newspaper. The work is targeted to be completed by 7.8.2002.

(d) After the repair of trunk sewer line, the stretch was handed over to NHAI in May, 2002. Immediately thereafter, the action for fixing of agency for executing the work was started and work is now progressing.

Accidents on National Highways in Himachal Pradesh

1011. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any assessment of the fatal road accidents on the highways in Himachal Pradesh and the proportion by which such accidents have risen during the last three years;